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SUBJECT: RESTRICTIONS ON IMPORTS OF GROUND BALL
BEARINGS FROM JAPAN

REF: STATE 36050

1. IMPORT FIGURES FOR BEARINGS AND PARTS
AVAILABLE FROM STATISTICS CANADA IN DOLLAR VALUE
ONLY AND NOT REPEAT NOT IN QUANTITY. FIGURES
FOR DOMESTIC SHIPMENTS COMBINE BALL AND ROLLER
BEARINGS AND PARTS. IN 1972 IMPORTS FROM JAPAN
OF BALL AND ROLLER BEARINGS AND PARTS
TOTALLED \$7,520,000 WHICH WAS APPROXIMATELY 6.5
PERCENT OF DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION.

2. BREAKDOWN OF 1973 IMPORTS FROM JAPAN BY
IMPORT COMMODITY CLASSIFICATION NUMBER
IS AS FOLLOWS: 504-01, BEARINGS AND PARTS
FOR MOTOR VEHICLES, \$1,515,000;
504-05, UNMOUNTED BALL BEARINGS NOT ELSEWHERE
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SPECIFIED, \$3,451,000; 504-09, PARTS OF

BALL BEARINGS NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED,
\$236,000; 504-33, BEARINGS AND PARTS,
UNMOUNTED, NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED, \$170,000;
504-37, BEARINGS, MOUNTED, \$391,000.
1973 DOMESTIC PRODUCTION FIGURES NOT YET
AVAILABLE. US IS PRIMARY SUPPLIER OF
BEARINGS AND PARTS, BUT JAPANESE SHARE OF
IMPORT MARKET HAS INCREASED FROM 2.6 PERCENT
IN 1966 TO 10 PERCENT IN 1972.

3. GOC HAS NO REPEAT NO FORMAL OR INFORMAL
RESTRICTIONS ON IMPORT OF BALL BEARINGS FROM
JAPAN. J.H. O'CONNELL, CHIEF OF SERVICE
INDUSTRIES DIVISION IN DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY,
TRADE AND COMMERCE, TOLD EMBASSY OFFICER THAT
RESTRICTIVE ACTION BY GOC UNLIKELY IN NEAR
FUTURE DESPITE COMPLAINTS FROM DOMESTIC
INDUSTRIES ABOUT COMPETITION FROM JAPANESE
IMPORTS. ANTI-DUMPING SUIT FILED BY
CANADIAN-TIMKEN LTD. IN 1971 HAS NOT YET
REACHED TRIBUNAL, BUT O'CONNELL PERSONALLY
DOUBTS FIRM COULD PROVE INJURY FROM JAPANESE
PRODUCT.
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